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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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**AMENDMENT**

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action of October 26, 2009.

Please charge any fees in connection with this Amendment to  
our Deposit Account No. 18-1743.

The claims pending in this application and any amendments of  
the claims are detailed in the following section entitled *Current Status of  
Claims*.